

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 431

2024 Regular Session

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

FUNDS/FUNDING. Provides with respect to the creation of the Criminal Justice Priority Funding Commission for the purpose of reviewing and recommending funding for certain criminal justice projects. (gov sig) (RE INCREASE GF EX See Note)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Changes the program from the Juvenile Detention Commission Program to the Criminal Justice Priority Funding Commission Program.
2. Expands the scope of the projects under the program from juvenile detention facilities to adult facilities, law enforcement facilities, and other criminal justice priorities.
3. Adds two members to the commission.
3. Changes the administration for the program from the Dept. of Public Safety and Correction, office of juvenile justice to the division of administration.
5. Removes application requirements.
4. Makes technical amendments.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

DIGEST

SB 431 Reengrossed

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Proposed law creates the Criminal Justice Priority Funding Commission (commission) to review applications submitted pursuant to the Criminal Justice Priority Funding Commission Program (program) and make recommendations for funding to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget (JLCB).

Proposed law provides that the 12 member commission shall include the following:

- (1) The president of the Senate or his designee.
- (2) Three members appointed by the president from the following committees: Judiciary B, Finance, and Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.
- (3) The speaker of the House of Representatives or his designee.
- (4) Three members appointed by the speaker from the following committees: Administration on Criminal Justice, Appropriations, and Ways and Means.
- (5) The commissioner of administration or his designee.
- (6) The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or his designee.
- (7) The secretary of the Department of Revenue or his designee.
- (8) One member appointed by the governor.

Proposed law provides that the commissioner of administration shall serve as chairman of the commission and establishes that seven members constitute a quorum.

Proposed law provides that the members of the commission shall serve without compensation. The appointed members of the commission who are state employees may receive the same reimbursement of travel expenses for attending the meetings as is allowed for state employees' travel. The appointed members of the commission who are not state employees may receive the same reimbursement of travel expenses for attending the meetings as is allowed for state employees' travel, except all legislative members of the commission shall receive the same per diem and travel expenses for attending meetings of the commission or any meeting thereof as is normally provided for members of the legislature.

Proposed law provides for the administration of the program and the establishment of a working panel to review and rate applications submitted and make recommendations for funding to the commission.

Proposed law requires the division of administration to promulgate guidance for the administration of the program and submit the proposed guidance to the commission for review and approval no later than August 1, 2024.

Proposed law allows the division to enter into consulting services, professional services, and information and technology service contracts for the purpose of the procurement of any goods or services necessary to implement and expedite the distribution of funds as emergency procurement exempt from the La. Procurement Code.

Proposed law requires the division to begin accepting applications no later than September 1, 2024 and provides for application requirements.

Proposed law provides that the working panel's ratings of proposed projects and recommendations for funding be submitted to the commission within 45 days of the end of the application period. Provides that the commission shall review the ratings and recommendations submitted and provide to JLCB its recommendations for grant awards.

Proposed law requires JLCB to review the recommendations submitted by the commission and have final approval of projects that receive grant awards through the program. Allows the commission, without further approval from JLCB, to approve adjustments to any grant award or funding under certain circumstances.

Proposed law provides for the rescission of a grant of funding for failure to comply with proposed law.

Proposed law requires the division, beginning January 1, 2025, to submit a quarterly status update for funded projects to the commission and JLCB.

Proposed law requires recipients to comply with audits performed by the legislative auditor as provided in present law. Provides an exception to present law consequences for noncompliance.

Proposed law creates the Criminal Justice Priority Fund (fund) and requires monies in that fund be used to provide grants awards and funding for the following:

- (1) Design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of a fully operational juvenile detention center to house both pre-adjudicated and post-adjudicated juveniles in certain circumstances.
- (2) Building and repairs to facilities owned by the office of juvenile justice.
- (3) Parish sheriffs for the design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of necessary law enforcement facilities in the custody and control of the sheriff.

- (4) The Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections for the design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of adult correctional and detention facilities.
- (5) Grants to nonstate entities and funding for state entities for other criminal justice priorities, including but not limited to statewide or regional crime labs for repairs, construction, or equipment necessary to fully operate such entities; immediate and necessary funding to the Integrated Criminal Justice Information System Policy Board as well as to the relevant state and local public entities for the purpose of facilitating the statewide integration of data and information necessarily generated by and shared across law enforcement, court systems, and statewide databases in this state; and other criminal justice funding priorities as deemed appropriate and necessary by the commission.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 39:100.241 and 100.242)

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